

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An optical pickup device comprising:  
a light source;  
an objective lens for focusing light of the light source onto an optical disk; and  
a shock absorber including a projection that projects toward a recording medium and projects out of a surface of the objective lens facing the recording medium, for preventing collision of the objective lens and the recording medium,  
the shock absorber having a surface resistivity of not more than  $10^{10} \Omega$  at least for the projection.
2. The optical pickup device as set forth in claim 1, wherein the shock absorber is provided around and in contact with the objective lens.
3. The optical pickup device as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:  
a lens holder for holding the objective lens; and  
a housing for fastening the lens holder,  
wherein the shock absorber is provided in the form of a pillar around the lens holder by being fixed on the housing.

4. The optical pickup device as set forth in claim 1, further comprising:

a conductive member electrically connected to the projection of the shock absorber.

5. The optical pickup device as set forth in claim 4, further comprising:

a conductive elastic body for movably supporting the objective lens in a focusing direction and a tracking direction,

the conductive elastic body electrically connecting the conductive member with the projection of the shock absorber.

6. The optical pickup device as set forth in claim 1, wherein the objective lens has a numerical aperture of not less than 0.8.